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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

RUSSIA AND POLAND.

SOVIET AGREES TO NEGOTIATE PEACE.

PLACE TO BE ARRANGED.

LONDON, July 24.

A Bolshevik wireless message states that Poland's request for peace negotiations has been accepted by the Soviet. The commanders have been ordered to arrange a place for the negotiations.

RUSSIA COMPLAINS OF POLISH ATROCITIES.

LONDON, July 26.

The Soviet has notified Britain of its acceptance of the suggestion to hold a peace conference in London, but it first insists on the surrender of General Wrangel whose safety was guaranteed. It protests against the British action in interrupting the discussion of trade resumption owing presumably to the refusal of the naval commander at Reval to convey the Soviet delegation to England. The Bolshevik action is ascribed to the moderating influence of Lenin and Chicherin. A Russian note issued complaining of Polish atrocities which must be punished, indicates the lines of the Bolshevik negotiations with Poland.

RED ARMY WITHDRAWS.

PARIS, July 24.

A wireless message from Moscow reports the withdrawal of the Red Army under instructions from the Soviet Command.

CORRESPONDENCE TO BE PUBLISHED.

LONDON, July 24.

The British Government publishes to-night the full text of the correspondence with the Soviet Government ending in the receipt of the Bolshevik reply consenting to peace negotiations with Poland.

RUSSIA WILL NOT INVADE GERMANY.

BERLIN, July 24.

M. Kopp, the Soviet representative in Berlin, declared that the Russians would in no circumstances invade Germany. Russia did not desire to impose the Soviet system on Poland, which country must form an economic bridge between Germany and Russia.

DESPERATE STRUGGLE FOR GRODNO.

WARSAW, July 24.

An official communique reports that after a desperate struggle the Poles occupied the Grodno forts. The enemy evacuated the town. An enemy attempt to force the passage of the Niemen near Dubno was driven back. Operations south of the Pripiet are developing favourably.

EXTENSIVE IRISH RIOTING.

TROOPS INFLICT MANY CASUALTIES.

LONDON, July 24.

The Unionists Clubs in Belfast have decided to appoint patrols to assist the authorities to protect life and property in the affected areas.

Extensive rioting started in the Bally Macarrett district late to-night. The mob attacked the catholic church. Troops after issuing a warning, fired volleys repeatedly, inflicting numerous casualties.

FIFTEEN DEATHS IN BELFAST.

LONDON, July 25.

The deaths in Belfast now number fifteen. Apart from isolated looting there has been no recrudescence of the disturbances. The police and military are maintaining firm control.

COAST-GUARDS KILLED.

LONDON, July 25.

A police sergeant was shot dead on entering a church at Bandon, Cork, this morning.

Two more people have succumbed to injuries in Belfast, making a total of seventeen.

Bally Grovane coast-guard station, near Berehaven, was raided. Two coast-guardsmen are reported killed.

LOOTERS ARRESTED.

LONDON, July 25.

Apart from a few skirmishes in Belfast the night was quiet. There have been further admissions to hospital. There have been seventeen arrests in connection with looting.

AERIAL DERBY.

AVIATOR'S THRILLING FINISH.

LONDON, July 24.

At Hendon the fifth aerial Derby was flown this afternoon over a course of two circuits of outer London of 205 miles. The weather was fine but gusty. A north wind was blowing. The visibility was good. Flying in a Martinsyde semiquaver, Pilot Courtney won the race, covering the course in 1 hour 18 min. 12 1/5 secs., at an average speed of 153 1/2 miles per hour. In landing the semiquaver turned a complete somersault and dropped to the ground on its back. Pilot Courtney crawled out unhurt amidst terrific cheering. The handicap resulted in Captain Hammersley in an Avro Baby being first, Bert Hinkler in an Avro Baby, second, and Pilot Courtney third.

A TREATY PLEBISCITE DECIDED.

BRUSSELS, July 24.

The result of the plebiscite under the Treaty of Versailles was that only 270, including 201 German officials, voted against the annexation of the Eupen and Malmédy districts by Belgium. The voters numbered 35,725.

GREEKS OCCUPY ADRIANOPLE.

ATHENS, July 24.

The newspapers announce that the Greeks occupied Adrianople. The Turkish military governor at Jafartayar retreated to Kirk Kilise. King Alexander immediately entered Adrianople which was undamaged.

PRINCE STARTS QUEENSLAND TOUR.

SYDNEY, July 25.

The "Renown," with the Prince of Wales aboard, has arrived. The Prince is now starting on his Queensland tour.

## THE DOLLAR.

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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

AMERICAN MERCHANT MARINE  
LAW.

WASHINGTON, July 25th.

The Shipping Board has suspended till January 1st, 1921, the operation of the section of the new Merchant Marine Law providing preferential rail rates on exports sent to the seaboard for shipment in American bottoms.

Admiral Benson, the Chairman, has explained that postponement is necessary for investigation and intelligent application of the law. He has learned that foreign steamship companies have objected to this provision which would, probably, be made the basis of diplomatic conversations between American and other Governments.

EX-MINISTER TO CHINA.

MILWAUKEE, July 25th.

The State Democratic Conference has nominated Mr. Reinisch, ex-Minister to China, as a candidate for the Senate.

POSITION OF BRITISH SHIPPING  
IN KOREA.

LONDON, July 25th.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Anceurin Williams, Mr. Cecil Harcourt stated that, as the Government at the time of the Japanese annexation of Korea accepted the amendment of the Anglo-Korean Treaty of 1883 and Japan's right to close the existing trade after ten years from June 20th, 1910, the Government had taken no steps to retain the "open door" rights of the treaty, in view of the fact that from August next all British shipping will be debarred from inter-port trade in Korea and trade between Korea and other parts of Japan.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

ZEEBRUGGE MEMORIAL.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"]

Sir.—I am directed to forward for your information the enclosed copy of a letter received by His Excellency the Governor from the Right Honourable Lord Emmott, G.C.M.G., Chairman of the Zeebrugge Memorial Fund, of which His Majesty the King and His Majesty the King of Belgium are Patrons.

His Excellency would be happy to receive and transmit any contributions that may be made towards the Fund.—I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

A. G. M. FLETCHER,  
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, July 26, 1920.

ZEEBRUGGE MEMORIAL FUND.

25, Victoria Street.

Westminster,

London, June 10, 1920.  
S.W.1.

To:

His Excellency  
Sir R. E. Stubbs,  
Governor of Hongkong,  
Victoria.

His Excellency,

Doubtless you have seen in the Press that the City of Bruges contemplates the erection of a memorial obelisk at Zeebrugge to commemorate the noble episode of April 23, 1918, when the entrance to the canal was blocked by our ships.

The Burgomaster of Bruges having invited the co-operation of the Anglo-Belgian Committee in this praiseworthy undertaking, a separate Committee has been formed under the patronage of H.M. King George and H.M. King Albert, to collect subscriptions in the British Empire.

This Fund, of which I am Chairman, is working not only to obtain a sum of money to add to the £5,000 already guaranteed by Bruges but also to collect a sufficient amount, after the cost of the memorial has been defrayed, to benefit permanently recognised Naval and Mercantile Marine Charities.

We shall be deeply grateful if you can see your way to interest the people of Hongkong in this undertaking so that a Committee may be formed to collect subscriptions for the Fund. We feel sure that such a body with your approval, would render substantial assistance in carrying out this national and imperial duty.

I am, &c.,

(Sd.) EMOTT,  
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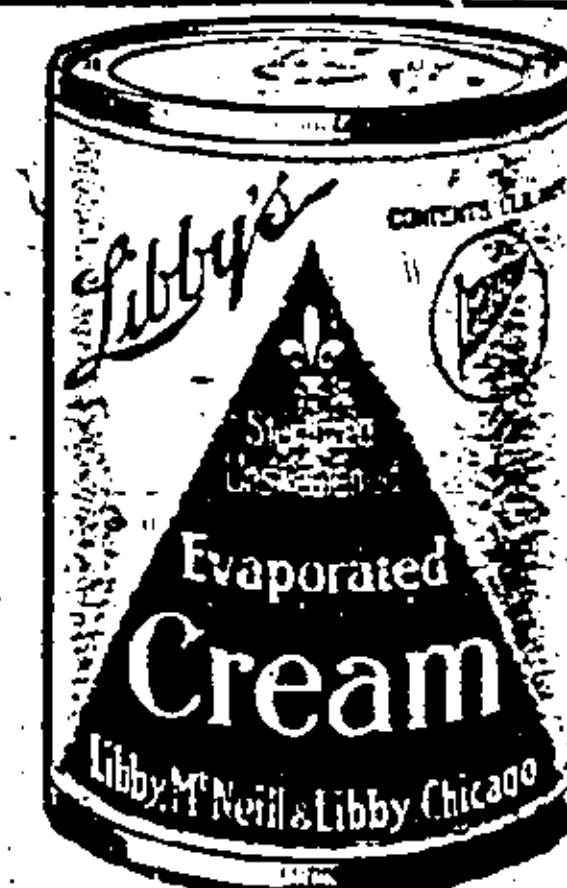
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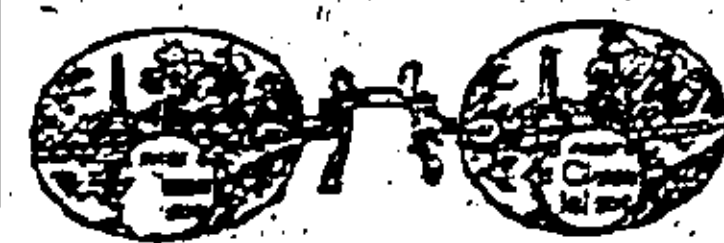
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## BIRTHS.

MENGEL.—On June 2, 1920, at Yunnanfu, to Mr. and Mrs. Ejner Mengel, a son.

LETHIN.—On July 16, 1920, to Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Lethin, a daughter.

WATSON.—On July 16, 1920, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Watson, a son.

## MARRIAGES.

STOCKWELL—DAWSON.—On May 29, 1920, at Moorooka, Church of England, James Clifton, youngest son of the late Dr. and Mrs. Stockwell, Brisbane, to Helen Frances, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. McNair Dawson, Moorooka.

DAVIES—FLEMINGS.—On June 17, 1920, at Pongtisbury, Salop, England, Amy Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Edward Davies, of Pongtisbury, to Sidney, son of Mr. Thomas Belgrave Flemings, late of Pailton, near Rugby, England.

MACKENZIE—MEIER.—On July 17, 1920, at Shanghai, Henry Gowan, the only surviving son of the late Captain Henry Gowan Mackenzie, R.N.R., of Kirkcaldy, Scotland, to Vera Rubarovich Meier.

## DEATH.

COTTER.—On July 17, 1920, at Shanghai, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cotter.

## The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JULY 27, 1920.

## ADVERSARIA.

"At sea one glows not at sea. One writes not at sea. One lives. It is life, that, to be emancipated from clothes, to move about upon the slowly heaving sea, using the winds of God as they come or go, to see picture replace picture in the great panorama of nature. Professional sailors have a saying, stupidly ex parte, and blind to all but one aspect, that he who goes to sea for pleasure, therefore, they cannot know. They do not go of their own free will and

sopping rag. They were bruised and breathless. Their emotions on seeing the unfledged angler had to be veiled by a seemingly silence. When they had had time to see the humour of it, they were open to chaff, and took it well. Whether they are now wise to the unwisdom of mixing pleasures, of trying to be at once seafarers and social lions, who can tell? Only time.

The Straits Echo flopping in says: Up in Hongkong, long they flag small children, who act as hawkers without a licence. Flagging, or corporal punishment of any kind, should be reserved for offences which cannot in the culture of a mean, callous, sordid disposition. To inflict it for breaches of police or Municipal regulations is barbarism and argues in the magistrate concerned an utter lack of the judicial temperament. There is no more "moral peripatetic" in flagging without a licence than there is in driving a motor-car without a licence or riding a bicycle without a light. Yet, not even in Hongkong, we imagine, do they flag the taipan guilty of the first or the European assistant convicted of the second of these offences.

Hongkong ought to be ashamed of itself. If we were not quite so busy being sorry for some of our own people, suffering as a result of the war, we could feel sorry for this writer of a letter recently sent us from Salzburg in Austria. He calls himself an editor and author, and very much wants a job here, with pay sufficient to enable him to support himself and his family. He has an excellent English lexicon, but he has also a child and a woman who are less excellent. They grow always thinner, perhaps because the lexicon is the only thing of the family which he does not read. Probably if we had an Austrian lexicon, we would use it no better than he. He writes: "That you, my letter not dispenses. It produces my pay solely with modesty unperturbable. On us weigh the misfortune of the defeat. This misfortune can a single man not endure, if the whole country, it not more can endure. So will, I think, my pray not be a dishonour, because I will work to it."

Writing from the AVISOR's Hongkong Hotel, on Sunday, a visitor, "about to depart after a visit of three months, during which time he has read every issue of the China Mail," accuses us of ruthless warfare on the elements of complacency, cant, hypocrisy, and muddle-headed thinking that wield so large an influence over most respectable people here. "Worse still, you are entertaining while doing it. You frequently make your readers think. This is inexcusable. You have made at least one person dissatisfied with the newspapers he used to read." We fear that we must plead guilty to this indictment. "Worse still, we cannot admit transience."

One of our police friends, who sees suggestions of the rightness of our protests about the treatment of child hawkers, and who knows the conditions, suggests that instead of flogging and jailing these boys, we should send them to work on the new Government gardens just beyond Fanling. Here they could find healthy and useful work, here they could be properly fed, and here they would not be such an object lesson of the ship-shod mentality that is persistently making criminals of them. Perhaps one of the Chinese Justices will favour us with his views on this suggestion. Something must be done soon. We cannot continue on the present wicked lines. At present big gangs of adults are working on this land, on work that the boys could do, if properly supervised.

A Straits paper has been poking its editorial nose into the entanglements of exchange, and contrasting the salaries of the governors. It concluded after stating the figures that the recent high exchange makes the Governorship of Hongkong more to be envied from the point of view of the salary, than that of any other colony. It is extraordinary that such a simple matter should be so glaringly misunderstood. The Governor's salary being in sterling, the only difference the high exchange made to him must have been adverse. The balance he saved would not be affected, either way. The same to be drawn against his salary for immediate expenditure would be less in proportion to what a lower exchange would have given him.

If the Post Office APOSTAL wants to keep the local people in a good humour, there is one easy way in which to avoid irritating them. In the list of mails expected, there will appear the name of a steamer due (say) from Shang-

hai. On the day she is due, the name is deleted from the list, without comment. The expectant public says to itself, "no letters arrived by that boat." It begins to wonder and to worry. Later on it finds, as it did this week, that the boat arrived some days late, with mails. Instead of deleting the name on the date, whether it have arrived or not, the post-office people might put a note in brackets, "overdue" or "late," so that the position would be clear. This would also save the postal staff trouble and time wasted on answering telephone enquiries.

Even when an awkward question is answered truthfully, you will generally find that the truth is officially laded out in such a way as to convey a false impression. On June 8 the Home Secretary had to satisfy a member about the number of Germans admitted into England since the armistice. To read the answer without analysing it is to get the impression that there was nothing to worry about. To begin with, detailed statistics up to July 1 were "not available," suggesting to a suspicious mind that the figures might be too progressive to divulge. "But practically the only persons of German nationality who were admitted to the United Kingdom during that period were British-born wives or widows and their children." How that could be stated without the possession of detailed statistics only the Home Secretary knows. He did have some figures. Between July 21 and December 31, 1919, 925 were admitted, of whom 550 were wives and widows, and the great majority of the remaining 375 were children. Very well. Let us wash out 300, a generous interpretation of "the great majority," and let us reckon 75 pukka Germans let in. Nothing worth mentioning. Between Jan. 1 and April 30, 1920, 1,554 Germans were admitted, of whom 580 were British-born widows, wives, and their children. That leaves 968 pukka Germans in four months. The number is growing, you see. On top of that, the Home Secretary reminded the Hon. Member of the Aliens Restriction Act 1919, which lays down that short period visits may be permitted; but he did not give any assurance that the 1,043 pukka Germans confessedly admitted up to April 30 were all short-timers. Our private information from Home advisers is that the business is being camouflaged, as usual.

## STEAMER IN TROUBLE.

## TUGS BRING "KEKETICUT" TO PORT.

On her maiden trip to the Far East from the United States, the Shipping Board vessel "Keketicut" has been unfortunate. On July 17 the Admiral Line office in Shanghai received information that the steamer had encountered engine trouble on the trip from New York to Hongkong. Shanghai has not been included in the ports of call to be visited by the engine-room position because such it was deemed necessary to stop there. Arrangements were accordingly made with the Shanghai Tug and Lighter Co. for the bringing of the vessel up river and on July 16 two tugs were despatched to Woon-sung for this purpose. The exact nature of the trouble has not been ascertained but it is understood the "Keketicut" will be surveyed in Shanghai and the extent of the damage discovered. If found necessary, she will be docked for repair. She is a 9,600 ton steamer.

## MYSTERY CAR.

## SEQUEL TO A MIDNIGHT DRIVE.

Some time back, in the early morning, a car was found in the ditch on the left hand side of Orchard Road by Mount Elizabeth, Singapore, with its number plate, wrenched off and the driver non est. On July 19 the mystery was explained by Asst. Supdt. Sheedy before Mr. Langham Carter, in the first court. He said that Miss Scott, the defendant, was not there, but that there was a gentleman in court to represent her, but he was not an advocate (laughter). In reply to His Worship, Mr. Sheedy said the summons had been served on Miss Scott but she was ill, and she thought that the gentleman in court would plead guilty for her. His Worship replied that if he was going to plead not guilty, he was afraid he could not take it then, but postpone it.

Mr. Sheedy then said he was not going to press the case.

His Worship: Is that the famous car?

Mr. Sheedy: The Mystery Car, as the Press called it, but the mystery was solved about the time it was mentioned in the Press. The gentleman, representing Miss Scott, said she had learnt to drive in Australia, but was apparently not accustomed to local conditions (laughter).

His Worship imposed a fine of 75/- with costs.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. A. Cumming, second engineer, China Navigation Co. "Sunning" has been promoted acting chief engineer as "Teau."

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending July 10 amounted to 89,951 tons, and the sales during the period to 74,401 tons.

H.M.S. "Amphitrite," which formerly served on the China Station, has been sold out of the Navy. She was a cruiser of 11,000 tons and was completed at Barrow in 1900.

Colonel the Right Hon. Sir Frederick Lugard, a former Governor of Hongkong, having been appointed a Privy Councillor on January 22 last was sworn in on June 11.

Lady Rees Davies, wife of the Chief Justice of Hongkong, was present by Countess Curzon of Kedleston at the Court held at Buckingham Palace on Thursday, June 10.

When the "Persia Maru" reached Kobe from Hongkong the other week she brought \$380,000 in American gold coins consigned to the Kobe office of the Yokohama Specie Bank from its Hongkong office.

Canton will have an agricultural exhibition next October 11, at the Government Agricultural Experiment Station. The city had an agricultural exhibition three years ago when Mr. Chu Ching-lau was governor there.

The engine room department of the Indo-China s.s. "Hansang" has undergone a change. Mr. F. W. Ross, second engineer of the vessel, has gone on leave whilst Mr. S. E. McKinley from reserve has taken his place.

The Bund at Weihaiwei has had placed on it near to the Ma T'ou Jetty, two Maxim type of guns and one howitzer, captured from the Germans. An inscription stating this is placed in front of the guns, both in English and Chinese.

Taikoo, Ewo, and the China Merchants S.N. Co. intimate that from August 1, fares to Hongkong, and the Southern ports and Tientsin and the Northern ports will be raised. In the case of Hongkong it represents a 25 per cent. increase.

The provinces of Kiangsi, Kiangsu, Hunan, Hupoh, Kwangsi and Kwangtung have finally completed arrangement for an alliance for common defence against improper interference from the militarists of the North, says the Canton paper.

Mr. Cecil Railton, youngest son of Mr. N. L. Railton, has been admitted to the General Hospital, Singapore, with a compound fracture to the left shin bone as the result of an accident while on his motor cycle, reports the Singapore Free Press of July 16.

There are now more than one thousand goldbeaters in the goldsmith shops on strike in Fatsan, since their demand for an increase in wages has been refused. Goldbeaters in Canton are negotiating with their employers for an increase in salary before going on strike.

A passenger on the "Devanha" tells us that her departure from Shanghai was delayed by the desertion of the stokers. After that there were typhoon signals, so that although timed to leave Shanghai early on Monday morning, she did not arrive till yesterday evening.

A member of the Provincial Assembly, has recently written to the Commander of the Defence Corps at Loting and Namkong, stating that the matter of detaining vessels, because of the strike arising from alleged illegal taxation on the ships, should be settled at once, since the interruption of the sailing of vessels has interfered with the food supplies. Consequently the price on foodstuffs is soaring.—C.T.

The Mussoorie correspondent of the Englishman announces the advent of the motor ricksha. Those who have read Kipling's story of The Phantom Ricksha will feel glad that the hero died before motors were invented. It was bad enough for the unfortunate man to be haunted by the spectre of the woman he had wronged—riches and all—but to be chased about Simla at thirty miles an hour would upset even a hardened spiritualist.

The members of the Bandman Comedy Company, now playing in Calcutta, are engaged in conjunction with Mr. Ducaze of the Picture House, in making a topical film. On June 26 a rather serious accident occurred to one of the actors, Mr. Leonard Stephens. The party, having taken some scenes in the Empire Theatre garden, were proceeding to Outram Ghat by motor lorry to take the principal landing from a vessel when Mr. Stephens fell from the lorry and sustained a slight fracture of the skull. This will keep him off the stage for some days. He is now in the General Hospital.

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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Some details of artillery will be shortly sent out to the Far Eastern garrisons for distribution.

The Alcco Continental Air Express has completed its second hundred thousand miles flying.

Mr. Winston Churchill is a member of a polo team of Government heads who call themselves "The Early Risers." Games are played at 8 a.m., before official duties commence.

Mr. H. A. Smallwood, Treasurer, F.M.S., has been offered, and has accepted, a post under the Palestine Administration. He will probably leave the F.M.S. about September.

It is reported that the steamer "Machao," the latest addition to the Blue Funnel Line, will be launched in Liverpool at an early date and that the Lady Mayoress of that port will perform the ceremony of christening her.

A Chinese youth, 19 years of age, was yesterday admitted to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from injuries to his body caused through a fall while attempting to alight from a moving tram car in Des Voeux Road West.

An aeroplane race between several of the Universities in the United States was recently held at Mineola, Long Islands. The largest number of points went to Yale, whose representative won the twenty-five miles contest in sixteen minutes.

The P. & O. liner "Isis" has been sold to the Bland Line for the Gibraltar-Casablanca run. The "Isis" and her sister ship "Osiris" were fast despatch vessels which from 1898 down to the outbreak of war carried the mails between Brindisi and Port Said.

Mrs. Morrison, widow of the late Dr. Morrison, of Peking, intends to leave England for China about the end of next month, proceeding via Canada. Her sons will remain at Sidmouth during her absence, which, it is expected, will be about six months.

An amusing mixing up of names was noted by the Straits Chief Justice. It appears that Mr. Whitley who is coming out to the Straits is not, as has been stated officially and in the press, Mr. Justice Whitley, but an engine driver of the same name, who has heard the call of the East.

An insane Chinese aged 35, living at No. 56 Connaught Road Central, yesterday attempted to commit suicide by jumping from the roof of the house on to the back yard of No. 115 Des Voeux Road Central. He received serious injuries to his head, and was picked up in an unconscious condition. He is now lying at the Government Civil Hospital in a very critical condition.

Colonel C. D. H. Moore, C.M.G., D.S.O., who has just been appointed to the command of an Indian brigade of infantry, served on the staff of General Barnardiston at the siege and capture of Tsin-tao, North China, in 1914. He was mentioned in despatches for his excellent work and received in addition to the British decorations the Order of the Rising Sun from the Emperor of Japan. He subsequently rendered splendid service in the Dardanelles and later in Palestine in command of a brigade, being repeatedly mentioned in despatches. He served in the South African War as well.

At the Magistracy this morning, Inspector Davitt made an application to Mr. N. L. Smith for permission to withdraw the charge of disorderly conduct against the Annamite amah employed by Madame Germaine Bonnardell. The Inspector said that it had been decided to refer the case to the French Consul for settlement. The latter will also deal with a claim for wages due made by the defendant. Explaining the decision, the Inspector said that since the case against the defendant was begun, a lot of correspondence had been received from various people concerning the parties, and it was thought better to settle the matter out of court. The defendant was willing to be sent back to Pakhoi whence she came, and the French Consul would be asked to make the necessary arrangements. The application was granted, and the defendant was discharged.

ILLEGAL OPIUM.  
CHI LEE FINED \$750.

Revenue Officer Ward, of the Monopoly Department, this morning charged a Chinese before Mr. R. O. Hutchison, at the Magistracy, with the unlawful possession of 15 taels of prepared non-Government opium. The officer said that when searched on board the s.s. "Sunning" yesterday, the drug was found concealed in the defendant's aridle. The defendant said that the drug was given to him by a Soochow man to take ashore. He was told it was medicine, and was promised \$1 for his trouble. Had he known the drug contained opium, he would not have undertaken the job.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$750, or, in default, three months imprisonment with hard labour.

## CANCELLED CONTRACTS.

## SHANGHAI NEWSPAPER COMMENT.

In view of the recent demand in Shanghai for an almost wholesale cancellation of contracts for piece-goods, a report from New York upon a similar subject, showing the length to which the evil may go, deserves attention. The N.Y. Times. The woollen and worsted manufacturers were the people interested in the New York case, and in the course of a meeting to discuss the position a Mr. Webb put forward an estimate that 95 per cent. of manufacturers were accepting cancellation without protest. He told the industry that it had itself to blame for this state of affairs. Even in normal times, he pointed out, it had been customary for the mills to accept more orders than could be filled because cancellation of a certain percentage was invariably expected. One can hardly imagine that this is the soundest way of doing business. In fact this policy undoubtedly gave rise to the evil which the meeting had been called to combat. As a result of the investigation into the subject the manufacturers favoured a policy of taking orders only with the firm intention of making complete deliveries and at the same time compelling buyers to abide by their contracts, to which end a committee was appointed to draw up a binding form of contract. Further, manufacturers will in future be circled with the names of customers found violating their contracts. If there was ever any doubt as to the soundness of the policy adopted recently in Shanghai, this case from America would dispel it. We have undoubtedly been saved from arriving at a similar situation between here and the manufacturing centres.

## HARBOUR SHOOTING INCIDENT.

## CIBT. BOYS QUARREL.

## ASSAILANT JUMPS OVERBOARD.

A little difference of opinion between a cabin boy and a saloon boy on board the s.s. "Liangchow" on Sunday night as to who should do a certain piece of work, led to blows. The cabin boy was having the best of the fight when it was stopped by other members of the crew. Nursing his grievance, the saloon boy made up his mind to revenge the cabin boy for the drubbing he had received. Stealing into one of the officer's cabins, soon after five o'clock yesterday morning, he slipped a revolver into his pocket and went out to look for the cabin boy. Meeting the other on deck, the saloon boy whipped out the revolver, and fired point blank at him. In the excitement which followed the collapse of the cabin boy the saloon boy jumped overboard. When the splash was heard, a rush was made to the side of the ship, and several men jumped into the harbour in the hope of rescuing the saloon boy, but all attempts to locate him failed. The Police flag was flown from the ship. The Water Police launch went alongside and removed the wounded man to the Government Civil Hospital where he was operated upon immediately after admittance. The bullet was extracted, and the patient is expected to survive his injury. The body of the assailant has not yet been recovered.

## THE LATE MR. R. A. BRAND

## A KEEN SPORTSMAN.

Mr. R. A. Brand, of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., whose untimely death through drowning at Yokohama on Saturday we had to record as we went to press yesterday, was quite a young man and very popular wherever he went. Mr. Brand joined the Society in 1915. Two years later he was commissioned in the Scots Guards in which he obtained a captaincy and won the Military Cross. He returned to Hongkong about a year ago and was only last month transferred to Japan. Mr. Brand, who was a keen sportsman, played cricket and golf with more than average ability. He was also represented both Hongkong and Shanghai in international cricket. The deepest sympathy will be extended to his family who live in Shanghai where they are well known.

## SHIPPING.

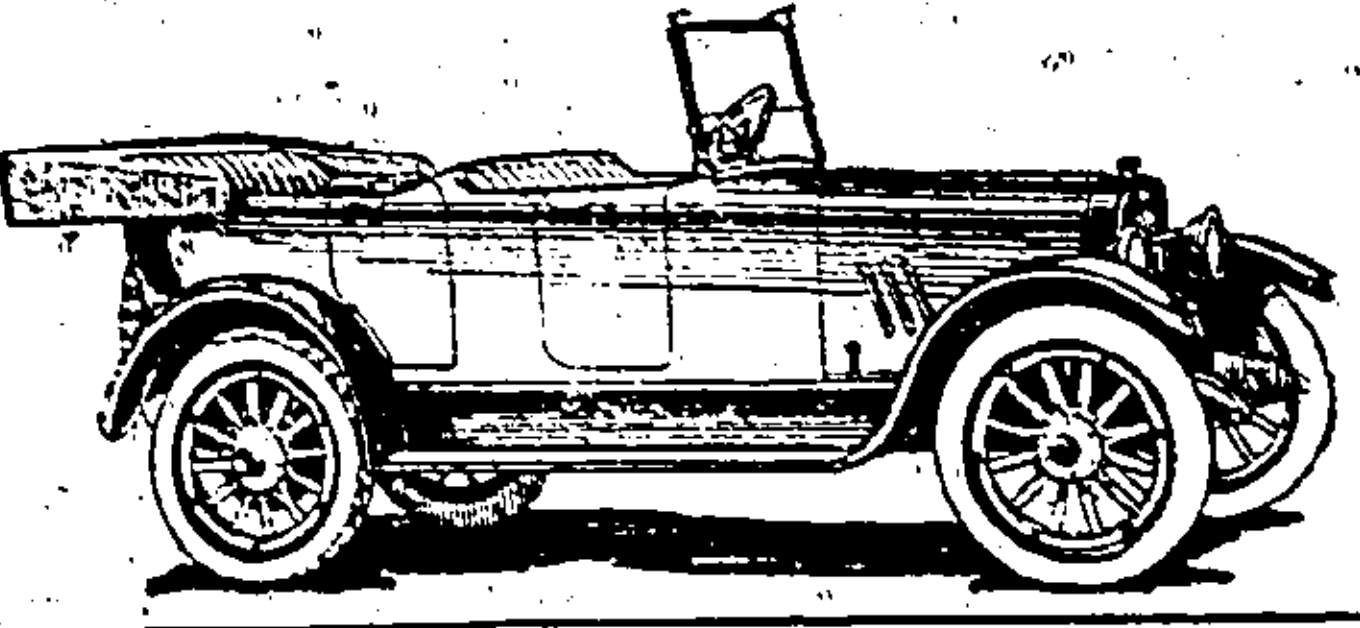
H. M. S. Oiler "Pearl" left Hongkong for Tarakan on July 24 to load a cargo of oil. She then proceeds to Suva to supply the warship escorting the Prince of Wales. Dodwell and Co.'s s.s. "Manchester" arrived in New York on July 22. The Lloyd's "Fighting" (Dodwell and Co.) s.s. "Fighting" left for Japan on July 23. The Lloyd's "Fighting" (Dodwell and Co.) s.s. "Fighting" left for Japan on July 23.



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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reader's Service to the China Mail.)

## DISASTROUS FIRE IN VENICE.

VENICE, July 25. A disastrous fire at the arsenal was followed by explosions. Several million lire of damage was done.

## FRENCH ENTER DAMASCUS.

LONDON, July 25. The French entered Damascus in consequence of an attack by Emir Feisal's troops on a small garrison holding a pass. In the course of his fight the enemy abandoned nine guns, 21 machine-guns and considerable war equipment. Emir Feisal's Minister of War was killed. The French losses were slight.

## DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH AUSTRIA RESUMED.

VIENNA, July 25. Full diplomatic relations between Britain and Austria have been formally renewed. The Hon. Francis Lindley presented his credentials as British Minister.

## THE LOSS OF THE LUEN ON.

## ACTION AGAINST INSURANCE COMPANY.

A \$20,000 CLAIM.

An action was commenced in the Supreme Court this morning before Mr. Justice Gompertz, Acting Chief Justice, in which Young Kong Yun, trading as Wat Tsze, claimed from the Young Shing Insurance and Investment Co., Ltd., the sum of \$20,000. Plaintiff's claim was in respect of an amount of \$20,000 under a marine policy of insurance for that amount dated November 7, 1917, on the Luen On subscribed by the defendants.

The Luen On, it may be recalled, was lost in November 1917, while on a voyage from Hongkong to Manila.

Mr. W. H. Drummond, instructed by Mr. C. E. H. Beavis appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Eldon Potter and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. G. R. Haywood was for the defendants.

The defence was that plaintiff was not interested in the Luen On and that the vessel was not seaworthy at the commencement of the risk. The defendants deny that the vessel was insured against perils of the seas. The defendants were liable under the policy only in the event of her being sunk during the voyage by running against rocks or reefs, or by typhoon or waves. Defendants deny that the vessel is lost or alternately, if she has been lost, deny that her loss was caused by any of the perils insured against. The vessel received her clearance papers on November 10 and left Hongkong on that day. On November 13 she returned having deviated from, changed and abandoned the voyage, whereby the defendant's liability under the policy was determined. Subsequently she received fresh clearance papers for a second voyage from Hongkong to Manila and left. The policy did not cover this voyage. Defendants further allege misrepresentation on the part of the plaintiff who said the vessel was his own property. The defendants have since ascertained that at that time the vessel was the property of Yubiao Sontua of Manila whom they did not know.

Plaintiff, replying to this statement of defence, contended that defendants received premiums and gave receipts for them. The voyage to Manila was not changed or abandoned, therefore defendant's liability was not determined. Under the circumstances it was reasonably necessary for the vessel to put into Hongkong. Defendants were informed of this. It was necessary that fresh clearance papers should be taken out. Plaintiff

denies that the vessel was in an unseaworthy condition and contends that she was surveyed by the defendants before insurance.

Opening the case Mr. Drummond said that sometime about the end of August 1917, the plaintiff in this action received instructions from his uncle in Manila, the managing director of a certain firm, to purchase the Luen On in Hongkong and send her to Manila. The vessel was purchased in October 1917 and two days later was assigned the plaintiff who on October 12, assigned it to his uncle, for whom he was acting as agent. His instructions were to purchase the launch, send her to Manila and make the necessary arrangements connected therewith. The question of insurance would arise in connection with this. The purchase price of the Luen On was \$31,000, plus \$4,000 paid to a broker. It was at that price that the vessel was assigned by plaintiff to his uncle. On September 29, 1917 the vessel was surveyed by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas, as a result of which certain extensive repairs were undertaken, running to some thousands of dollars. These repairs were paid for by the plaintiff and subsequently recovered by him from his uncle. The repairs were effected by the Kwong Hip Loong Company. The launch having been purchased, preparations were made for her despatch to Manila. A salient point in the case was that prior to the vessel being sent negotiations were entered into with the Ho Tsze Hing who acted as broker for effecting the insurance. He arranged for insurance to the extent of \$45,000. This man would also say that at the time of these negotiations he distinctly told the defendants that plaintiff, for whom he was purchasing this vessel was agent for a Manila firm.

His Lordship pointed out that this was not in the pleadings.

Mr. Drummond proceeded to say that the man Ho arranged for a policy at the rate of 3 per cent. The defendants inspected the launch and subsequently the vessel was despatched on the journey to Manila. Shortly before the launch left the plaintiff interviewed defendants' manager and the premiums were paid, three policies being given. On November 10 the vessel left. She was in charge of a coxswain and a crew of nine Chinese. She was a vessel of 140 tons, 125 feet long, and 21 feet broad. On November 13 she returned to Hongkong, the coxswain reporting extremely rough weather and that it was essential for the safety of the ship that he should put back to Hongkong to take in more coal for ballast. Forty tons of coal were taken aboard. When she first left she had on board 80 tons of coal and she burned between 5 and 7 tons a day. When she left the second time she would have about 100 tons on board. She arrived in Hongkong on the afternoon of November 13, and there was some delay before she again left. She cleared again on November 15 and left on the morning of November 16 at 10 a.m. That was the last that was ever heard of her, although enquiries were made for her at Manila, Amoy, Swatow and elsewhere. Application was made for payment on the policy but declined, the action being commenced on February 25, 1918.

## PASSPORTS.

## WIDE-SPREAD DISSATISFACTION.

When we find newspapers of such diverse hues as the *Times* and the *Westminster Gazette* combining to complain of the fact that the passport system is still in force it may be assumed that public dissatisfaction on the subject is pretty wide-spread. Says the *Straits Echo*. Much of course depends on the manner in which the system is worked. When the "Khiva" arrived in Penang about four months ago the delay and lack of organisation in the examination was scandalous, and if things are the same every time an ocean-going vessel passes through we can quite understand that the most amenable of travellers leave this port determined to agitate for the abolition of a system entailing so much inconvenience and annoyance. So if the authorities desire it to continue, in order to deal with Bolsheviks, Sinn Feiners, I. W. W. people and revolutionaries generally, they had better take steps to ensure that the formalities connected with it are carried out with reasonable smoothness, despatch and regard for the public.

## LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

## ARRIVALS.

The s.s. "Eastern," Captain A. S. Gordon, 2,272 tons, arrived this morning at daylight from Manila with 1,768 tons of general cargo and 27 bags of mail.

The s.s. "Yunsang," Captain McAlinsh, 1,128 tons, arrived this morning at 6 a.m. from Manila with 224 tons of general cargo and 32 bags of mail.

## DEPARTURES.

The s.s. "Archer," Captain Ross, sailed for San Francisco via Dairen at 9 a.m. to-day with 1,800 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Pheumphen," Captain Lewis, sailed for Saigon at 7 a.m. to-day with 1,200 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Kwangtsh," Captain Stewart, sailed for Shanghai at 5 p.m. to-day with 1,300 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Kanchow," Captain Cowans, sailed for Bangkok via Swatow at 1 p.m. to-day with 300 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Haimun," Capt. Page, sailed for Haiphong at noon to-day with 500 tons of general cargo.

## CLEARANCES.

The s.s. "Taksang," British, cleared to-day and will sail for Haiphong at 8.30 a.m. to-morrow.

The s.s. "Takada," British, cleared to-day and will sail for Kobe via Shanghai at 8 a.m. to-morrow.

The s.s. "Ningchow," Chinese, cleared to-day and will sail for Haiphong at 5 a.m. to-morrow.

Later in the proceedings, His Lordship enquired of Mr. Potter, whether the defence would contest the point that as the ship put back to Hongkong, she embarked on a separate voyage when she proceeded to Manila.

Mr. Potter replied that he thought they would have to. It might be a separate voyage in this sense. They had pleaded that the voyage was deviated from, changed or abandoned, in the sense that the ship intended to go to Manila—there was no change in that sense—but Mr. Drummond had hinted at the question of delay of three days. It might be such a delay as to absolutely change the whole voyage. He had to get on with the voyage with all reasonable despatch for three days at that time of the year might mean getting there safely or not.

His Lordship remarked that plaintiffs had pleaded that the circumstances justified them in putting back.

To this Mr. Potter replied that they said they put back for ballast. They had not pleaded that they put back through stress of weather.

Mr. Drummond: The inference is there.

Mr. Potter: There is no question of inference. We have your pleadings and they are binding. We asked for particulars of the circumstances.

Mr. Potter then referred to correspondence on this point quoting from a letter from plaintiffs which stated that the vessel encountered heavier weather than the master expected so he returned for an additional supply of coal, such thing being necessary for the safety of the vessel. Defendants then wrote asking whether the coal was to be used as fuel or ballast. The reply came that it was for ballast.

"No use," continued Mr. Potter "reading these particulars would imagine it was alleged that the vessel came back through stress of weather. On the contrary, they say the master met heavier weather than he expected so he came back for more ballast. That is most material."

Mr. Drummond, intimating that he would be calling evidence to deal with the legal aspect of the case.

## MUSICAL SOUVENIR.

## RECORD OF TWENTY-FIVE YEARS.

## PROF. DANENBERG'S ACTIVITIES.

From Professor Emil Danenberg we have received a copy of a booklet published by him as a souvenir of his musical activities in Hongkong over a period of twenty-five years.

In addition to Professor Danenberg's review of his musical career, the booklet contains much that is of interest to Hongkong music lovers, including extracts from local press reports of concerts with programmes and photographs, hints for practising, Schumann's advice to young musicians, an article on the home problems of music, and a discussion whether or not Hongkong is musical.

Prof. Danenberg it may be mentioned, was born and received his school and early musical education in the Colony. After leaving school in 1895, he devoted all his time to music and piano teaching. He owed his great interest in him and taught him the organ. Later he became the organist of St. Joseph's Church, a post he held for many years until he left for Europe. As organist of St. Joseph's he produced some very beautiful Masses and other Church music from such composers as Haydn, Mozart, Farmer, etc. In Harmony and counterpoint he had early lessons from Bandmaster Bentley, A.R.C.M. of the West Yorkshire Regiment, whose band in his opinion is the finest that ever came to the Colony. In 1897 he passed the Associateship in Music of the London College of Music with honours after only 6 months hard work under Mr. Bentley. He then continued his theoretical studies by means of correspondence lessons with Dr. Karn, Principal of the London College of Music. He appeared often in local Concerts at a very early age and continued to do so until he left for an extensive tour of Europe and America visiting many Musical Conservatoires and a great many cities. Afterwards he made Leipzig his headquarters for three years and took private lessons on the piano from the world-famous pedagogue Prof. Teichmüller. Prof. Schrek, Cantor of St. Thomas Church, Leipzig (successor of John Sebastian Bach) gave him lessons in the various theoretical subjects. He also became a student of the Conservatorium whence he graduated successfully in 1908. During his stay in Leipzig again he travelled much in Europe for study and pleasure.

In 1909 he returned to Hongkong to recommence teaching. In the ten years since, over 300 pupils have passed through his hands, ranging from seven years of age. Since 1915 Professor Danenberg has arranged public recitals for his pupils, and their success every year is current history.

## QUIET DIVORCES.

## NEW YORK LAWYERS TERM THEM "QUITE ETHICAL."

The institution of "quiet" divorces procured far from the maddening crowd in some rural district has received, after a somewhat turgid debate, the formal approval of the committee on professional ethics of New York County Lawyers' Association.

The association has been exercised by criticisms of one of the judges in West Chester County, which adjoins New York, of the devices employed by counsel to protect those seeking a divorce from the glare of metropolitan publicity.

The law actually provides that litigants residing in New York may, unless either of them objects, have their suits filed and tried in another country. Fashionable couples anxious to escape the ubiquitous eye of the newspaper reporter have been availing themselves recently of this provision in growing numbers, thereby adding immensely to the burden of district judges who feel that they should not be called upon to cut the Gordian Knot of New York's marital disputes.

The Lawyers' Association has now decided professionally that it is quite ethical to secure divorces for clients in the comparative seclusion of country courts, of the law for such cases, and expressly approves of the custom of withholding the names of co-respondents from pleadings unless the courts expressly stipulate their disclosure.

The Civil Governor of Canton has refused to abolish the taxes on vessels in transit in Pak Cheuk Mi, Hoiping, although many merchants of that place have protested against the illegality of the taxes.

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## HONGKONG'S HEALTH.

To-day's return of notifiable disease reports three cases of enteric fever, one of which was fatal. One was British and the other two Chinese. The return for the week records one fatal case of plague, of which the victim was a Chinese, and three cases of enteric fever, one British, one Indian, and one Chinese. Eight Chinese also died from influenza.

## OLD WOMAN HOAXED.

An elderly woman asked the Willesden magistrate: "Please, sir, will you tell me what I have stolen?" The magistrate, an Irish doctor, rose to the occasion and replied: "I am sure a nice-looking and thoroughly respectable woman such as anyone can see you are, would never steal anything."

In response to the compliment the woman curtsied until her head nearly disappeared from view beneath the ledge of the witness-box. She showed the magistrate a half-sheet of notepaper that had been sent to her, informing her that she would be taken to the Thieves' Home "to-morrow."

The woman said she had had it for three years and a half, but she was tired of waiting for "to-morrow" that never came and preferred to end the suspense and be taken to the Thieves' Home at once if she had done anything wrong.

The police stated that for some years the woman had made a weekly offer to surrender at the police station, always producing the same document.

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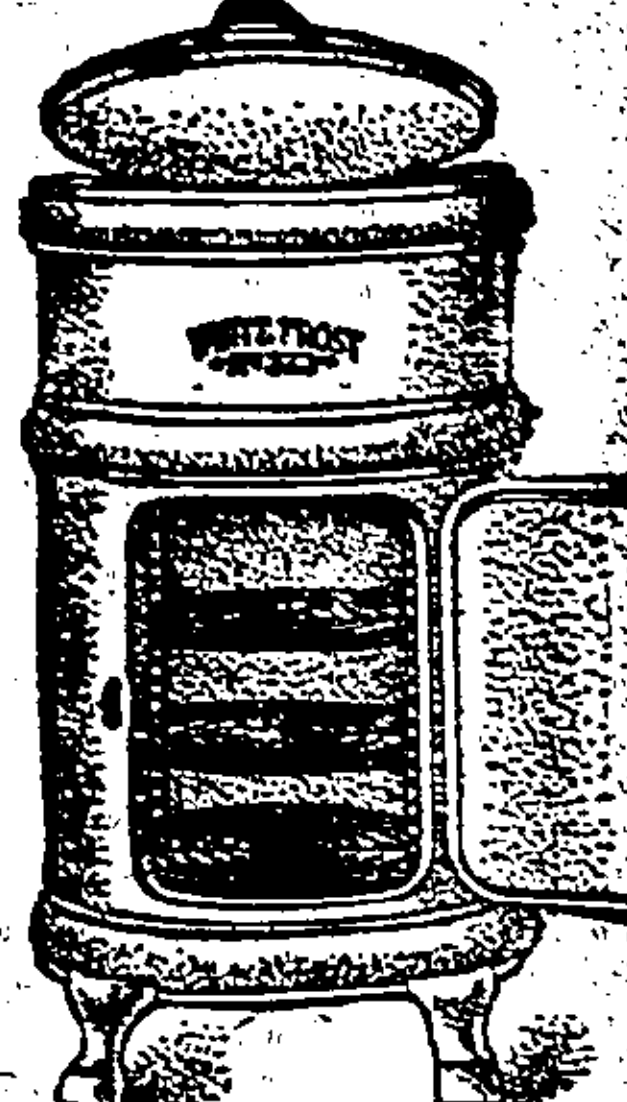
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## GERMANY'S "GOLD KING."

THOUSAND MILLION MARKS.

PARTY POWER BOUGHT.

The General Election for the first German Reichstag has its romance as well as its tragedy.

There is tragedy in the wiping out of the Coalition Government's majority; there is romance behind the sweeping victory of the so-called "People's party" which is really the old "National Liberal party." It has trebled its vote and its representation.

This is the romance of a personality, of a man behind the scenes.

Hugo Stinnes, Germany's newspaper king and multi-millionaire, owner of coal and iron mines and ships and steelworks and paper factories and hotels, is the man who, though remaining himself in the background, raised the "National Liberal party" from the grave in which it was buried when the Monarchy collapsed.

It was he who mainly supplied the fighting funds, who moulded public opinion by quietly buying up journal after journal—so quietly that hardly anybody knew anything about it until there came the startling announcement that he had purchased the *Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung*—for long years the semi-official mouthpiece of the German Government. Then curiosity prompted inquiry, and it was discovered that Stinnes controlled no fewer than 62 newspapers. And rumour has it that he is going to found a new daily in Berlin. Now everybody in Germany is talking about Hugo Stinnes, and not a few are asking, "Is he not 'The Man' for whom a distracted nation has been crying, the destined saviour of his country. Perhaps the exact extent of his worldly possessions is unknown to himself, so varied and involved as they are. But one thing is certain: that he is far away the richest man in Germany—richer, too, than any woman—that has to be added because before the war, at any rate, it was Bertha Krupp who sat on the biggest pile of German gold. One milliard marks is the figure at which some Berlin bankers assess the value of Hugo Stinnes's properties. "Oh, marks are not money," some cynic may comment; but still a milliard marks represents nominally fifty millions sterling, just the amount which the other day the German Government thought of suggesting as the whole country's yearly indemnity tribute to the Allies. Of his thousand million marks he has made all but nine millions himself—at least the latter was the value of the estate which he inherited from his father in 1897. The growth of Stinnes's fortunes at various periods has been traced by some enterprising person who has examined the State income tax records. These show that in 1904 his yearly income was between 400,000 and 500,000 marks and four years later it had run up to 900,000. But the biggest jump was made during the war. Stinnes enjoyed enormous contracts for war material, especially iron and steel wares; and he also did a big business in Belgium during the German occupation. Known as "The Rockefeller of Germany," Stinnes, in his industrial scope goes far wider than that of the American oil king. In addition to such trifles as the 62 newspapers and the largest hotel in Berlin, he controls—either alone or in combination with a handful of other great leaders of industry—the whole of Germany's inland shipping, most of its iron and steel, and practically all the Rhine-land coal. It is this man, with this immense power embodied in these possessions who has made the "National Liberals" once more a force in German politics. Along what road he wants to guide them nobody knows.

## HOUSING PROBLEM.

WHAT A RENT ACT DID.

Local landlords will be interested in the following clipping from the *Englishman*.—The provisions in the Rent Act which permitted owners to charge whatever rents they liked for houses put up since the Act became law, has certainly had the effect of encouraging building in Calcutta. New and larger houses are springing up all over Calcutta in spite of the increased cost of materials. The trouble is that in many cases existing houses are being pulled down to make way for the new. The neighbourhood of Park Street begins to look as if an earthquake had taken place or as if it had suffered from a Hun bombardment, so busy are house-breakers at present. However, any temporary shortage of houses in the locality will be compensated for when the new mansions and flats contemplated are ready; they will run into three and four storeys thus providing much more accommodation than had existed.

## RICE CROPS RUINED.

SERIOUS FLOODS IN KIANGSI

A Nanchang (Kiangsi) message dated July 22 to the *Canton Times* stated: Ten days ago the prospects were excellent for the farmers to reap a very fine crop of early rice, but, alas! during the last week calculations have been all upset by the very serious floods.

After very heavy rains lasting many days the water in the river has risen, flooding all the low lying districts, and also flooding the islands and lower parts of the city along the river front.

The distress in consequence will be very great. Yesterday the water in the river was still rising, and it was necessary to go along many of the streets outside the city in boats. Inside the city some districts are also under water. The small boat owners, sampan and riksha men are reaping a fine harvest, being in great demand in the flooded areas.

At the time of writing the water is stationary, so we can hope the limit of the high water has been reached.

## EIGHT HOUR LUNATICS.

OUR DOUBLE LIVES.

"It is very strange that we should all be leading two lives, the one rational in the real world and the other irrational and fantastic in the world of the brain," remarked Mr. William Archer recently in a lecture before the Royal Institution on "Dreams, with special reference to psycho-analysis."

That men are irresponsible lunatics for eight hours out of every 24 shows that man was not intended to be a *priori* a rational being," he continued. Treating of the popular superstition that lovers frequently dream of their beloved, Mr. Archer said that he was "not aware of any prosaic evidence in its support. Indeed, the sincerest of lovers was quite capable of forgetting the existence of his lover during his dream life," he went on. "Most of the dreaming of ordinary healthy people had no more portent than the shapes imagined in the dying embers of a dying fire."

But—well, nobody supposes that multi-millionaire Stinnes wants to see his riches thrown into a communal pool.

## MAILS TO CHINA.

QUESTIONS IN PARLIAMENT.

"NO IMMEDIATE PROSPECT OF DIRECT WEEKLY SERVICE."

In the House of Commons on June 14, Mr. G. Stewart (C.U. Wirral) asked the Postmaster-General whether he was aware that the irregular and slow postal service to China was causing inconvenience to British residents in that country, and that steamers often arrived before the shipping documents, whereby difficulty and delay in the handling and delivery of cargo was caused; if he was aware that the arrival of letters posted via the United States and Canada was very uncertain, and that there were often prolonged delays between the arrival of succeeding mails, and whether he could take any action in the matter; also whether the pre-war weekly mail service to China, formerly provided by the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Co. and the Messageries Maritimes on alternate weeks had been restored or was soon likely to be restored.

Mr. A. H. Hingworth, in reply, wrote: "Improvements in the mail service via Suez have enabled me to provide a better service to China. The mails are now being sent out by P. and O. packet via India each week, except when there is a through service to China via Canada, connecting with an *Empress* steamer on the Pacific, and they are now arriving more regularly, as well as in shorter time. There is immediate prospect of a direct weekly service to China by the two lines mentioned; but the mails for China are already being conveyed regularly each week as far as Singapore, via Bombay and Negapatam, and communication between Singapore and Hongkong and Shanghai is frequent."

WHAT THE FAR EAST REQUIRES. Judging by the reply given to Mr. Gershom Stewart in the House of Commons to his question respecting mails to China, one would imagine that the Post Office consider they are doing quite well remarks the *L. & C. Express*. That is scarcely the view of the commercial community.

What the Far Eastern world desires and requires is something like the pre-war alternative weekly service by the British and French boats. The official reply is that there is no immediate prospect of a direct weekly service to China, by the two lines mentioned, so the mails for China will continue to be conveyed each week as far as Singapore, via Bombay and Negapatam, and thence by whatever steamers may be available.

During the war period all had to put up with what was necessarily a haphazard transmission, but after the Armistice it was hoped that in time something like the normal would be returned to. This, it appears, is not to be yet. The former method by which the inward mail was due generally on the Monday of each week, and the outward departures were on the Friday, is a consummation that we cannot look for at present; nor does the official reply lead to hopes of an early resumption.

TRANS-PACIFIC MAIL MYSTERY.

There is still no definite news as to when the mails that were unloaded from the C.P.O.S. s.s. "Empress of Asia" at Vancouver are to be expected, the British Post office having received no information in the matter.

It transpires that every bag of mails, from European countries, Canada and the United States were removed from the "Empress" at short notice, the authorities assigning no reason for their action, so that it is difficult to imagine what the real causes were.

The opinion has been expressed that the mails were taken from the "Empress of Asia" for a short examination only and that they would be sent by train to San Francisco to be despatched to the Orient on a boat from that port. Whatever has happened to the mail in question, however, there seems no doubt that its being removed at Vancouver will delay delivery here for at least a fortnight.

In order to prevent the sale of immoral books, the proprietors and the employees of the book stores in Canton have decided to organize a Self-Government Society shortly to regulate trade among themselves.

On account of the hot weather residents of Canton are suffering no end of inconvenience because of the irregular water supply. Consequently numerous complaints are being made to the Water Supply Company.

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## A STORY OF THE WAR.

THE PROFESSOR'S "DOUBLE."

GERMAN SECRET SERVICE ERROR.

The following story was told, *The Daily Graphic* says, to its special correspondent, Mr. H. Robertson Murray, while on a Continental journey from which he has recently returned.

When the German fury fell upon the devoted city of Louvain, one of the inhabitants of that town, whose house was destroyed, was a retired professor of mathematics, a M. Dubois. After the catastrophe, M. Dubois, with his family, fled to Brussels, where he hired a modest flat.

One morning, when he had nearly finished dressing, one of his daughters came to his room and in a trembling voice told him that two German officers were in the flat demanding to see him without a moment's delay. M. Dubois, courageously making up his mind to face the worst, completed his toilet, and then confronted his unwelcome visitors.

Their attitude towards him was polite almost to obsequiousness.

"Monsieur," said one of them, after gazing long and fixedly at M. Dubois's countenance, "are you the person whom they call M. Dubois?"

"I am M. Dubois, professor of mathematics."

"Pardon me," rejoined the officer, "I would advise you, for your own sake, not to attempt to conceal any longer your real identity, for we know very well who you are."

M. Dubois opened his eyes in astonishment, and replied: "You make a mistake, gentlemen. I assure you that I am M. Dubois, professor of mathematics."

The officer twirled his moustache, "Just as you like," he said, smiling. "We don't waste any more time about that. If you will be so good as to pack a bag with clothes sufficient to last you a few days, we will await you here."

Outside a luxurious motor waited, and in five minutes M. Dubois and the two officers were driven rapidly along to the Hotel Astoria, where with much ceremony M. Dubois was conducted to one of the finest rooms in the hotel.

"You are here at home," said one of the officers. "Pardon us if we set a soldier on guard at your door. It is war you know. Pray take a seat."

One officer held out to M. Dubois a morose, speaking words in English: M. Dubois looked at him and the eyes glared perplexedly.

"Please place this eyeglass in your eye," said the officer in French.

"I will try, if you like; but I have never worn an eyeglass in my life."

"So you say," rejoined the officer, "But, come now, make an effort—you will find it quite easy."

M. Dubois did his best. But, content his face as he would, the monocle slipped and fell to the ground.

"Just as you please," said the officer, shortly. "It is not indispensable."

Then he suddenly fixed his eyes on those of M. Dubois.

"Admiral," he said, "do not continue with this farce. Tell me, now—we have shown for you all the regard due to your rank and misfortune. In the German army we respect a disabled enemy. It is useless to pretend any longer."

He waited a few seconds, and then went on: "We know well that you are Admiral Lord Beresford."

"I assure you, gentlemen—I am confused. You are mistaken."

"I—I really am M. Dubois, professor of mathematics."

But the officers did not wait. With a low bow, and an "Adieu, Admiral," they swung round and disappeared.

For two days M. Dubois lived in luxury. The maître d'hôtel himself attended to him at the table and everybody treated him with the profoundest deference. On the third day the two officers returned in full uniform and took him to Zebrugge.

At length M. Dubois found himself in a spacious apartment at Zebrugge, where several elderly officers of high rank sat round a table covered with maps, plans and photographs.

An officer, his breast covered with orders, advanced with outstretched hand.

"Admiral," he said, "permit me to offer you a hand-grip which we Germans are proud to give to the enemies we esteem."

M. Dubois, speaking in a strangled voice, managed to say: "I am very honoured, gentlemen; but I am M. Dubois, professor of mathematics."

"You are so far from being M. Dubois professor of mathematics," the commander interrupted him, "that you carry on your right thumb the marks of a wound received six years ago aboard ship as the result of a gun explosion."

## BLASTING OPERATIONS.

ALLEGED LACK OF WARNING.

Before Mr. N. L. Smith at the Magistracy this morning a Chinese building contractor was charged with failing to take necessary precautions during blasting operations.

Inspector Aris, of the Hongkong Police Station, who prosecuted, said that while Mr. Johnson, Chief Time-keeper of the Kowloon Docks, and his wife were in their dining room yesterday afternoon, a piece of rock broke one of the window panes and fell into the room narrowly missing Mrs. Johnson's head.

Mr. T. Rowan who appeared for the defence applied for a remand, and the Magistrate adjourned the hearing of the case until to-morrow.

## MAURITIUS STAMPS.

TWO SOLD FOR OVER £2,500.

THE KING'S COLLECTION.

At an auction held in Paris in mail week, a penny Mauritius 1847 stamp fetched 36,700 francs; while a two-penny stamp of the same date fetched 99,500 francs.

Very few specimens are known of the very rare 1d. red and 2d. blue "Post Office" Mauritius stamps to which the above evidently refers.

There are under 30 known to exist out of the 1,000 struck off. Originally it was thought that the words "Post Office" on one side of the stamp were an error for "Post-paid" which appeared on the issue of 1848; and it was not till many years later that it was shown that the former was a separate issue.

The first known copies were found among the letters of M. Borchard, and their exact pedigree is known till they passed from the famous Philbrick collection into the collection of M. la Renolliere. M. Borchard's widow found 12 others among her husband's old letters and many of them at first changed hands for quite small sums.

In the collection of the King there is the finest known 2d. "Post Office." Its origin is a romance. A collector, visiting a friend resident in the North-west of London, mentioned his hobby to his host, who, remarking that he once collected stamps, brought out his almost-forgotten schoolboy album. Looking casually through the old collection the guest saw to his amazement what proved to be the finest known unused copy of the two-penny "Post Office," purchased by its owner 40 years previously for a few pence; this stamp was sold shortly afterwards at auction for £1,450, and now adorns the collection of Mauritius stamps owned by King George V.

Another famous example was in the collection of Mr. Hughes-Hughes, which was begun in 1859. On the whole collection the owner spent £69, and it was sold in 1896 for £3,000.

A pair were bought by Mr. H. J. Duveen in 1910 for £3,500 from the famous Avery collection.

A history of the known specimens was published in 1878 by M. Moens in Brussels. It would be interesting to know whether the two specimens sold in Paris are new discoveries.

At the current rate of 52 francs, the prices paid were approximately £705 and £1,913 respectively.

And he pointed to M. Dubois' thumb; the phalanx of which was missing.

"Pardon," cried M. Dubois, "that is the result of a cab accident I had some dozen years ago. My hand was badly cut by glass, and—"

"Please don't insist, Admiral," said the commander, with an air as if impairing moral proof.

At this moment the solemnity of the august gathering was profaned by a coarse oath emitted by an officer who was examining a photograph.

"How dare you?" cried the commander of the German naval forces in Belgium, in a terrible voice.

"But look—look—it is the left thumb of the admiral which is mutilated, whereas this gentleman here—why, it is his right thumb."

The photograph passed from hand to hand amid a silence which could be felt. Then the commander confronted M. Dubois. "Then you are not Admiral Beresford?"

"I am M. Dubois, professor of mathematics," replied that gentleman, with his eye on the door.

"Then what are you doing here?" cried the commander.

M. Dubois, without taking any formal leave, went with alacrity, followed by the two officers who had brought him to Zebrugge.

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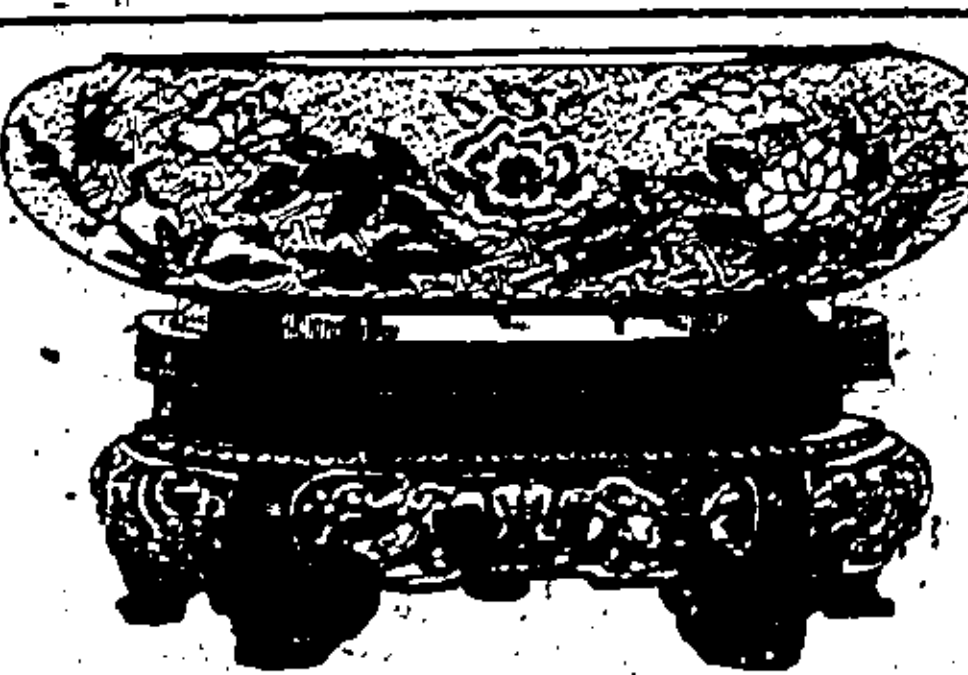
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28 - O.S.K.	Luzon Maru.
28 - B.F.	Ninechow.
28 - P. & O.	Eastern.
28 - M.M.	Andre Lebon.
30 - N.Y.K.	Kaco Maru.
31 - L.T.	(D. & Co.) Tinsbrook.
31 - N.Y.K.	Shingo Maru.
31 - N.Y.K.	(D. & Co.) Borneo M.
Aug. 2 - N.Y.K.	Andre Lebon.
3 - P. & O.	Japan.
4 - P. & O.	Banovina.
5 - B.F.	Plassy.
5 - B.F.	Thesens.
5 - P. & O.	Jeyporan.
5 - N.Y.K.	Shingo Maru.
11 - C.I.L.	Tijlloet.
15 - M.M.	Paul Leat.
17 - P. & O.	Khiva.
17 - B.F.	Lyscon.
17 - N.Y.K.	Diago Maru.
18 - P. & O.	Madras.
21 - L.T.	(D. & Co.) Hongaria.
Sept. 1 - B.F.	Euryplus.
4 - M.M.	Armand Behic.
8 - P. & O.	Nankin.
Oct. 8 - B.F.	Teucer.

## AMERICAN PORTS.

July 29 - A.L.	Eldridge.
Aug. 12 - C.P.O.S.	Empress of Asia.
12 - W.L.	West Ivan.
18 - A.L.	City of Spokane.
21 - O.S.K.	Africa Maru.
25 - W.L.	Delight.
25 - C.P.O.S.	Empress of Russia.
Sept. 14 - C.P.O.S.	Empress of Asia.
17 - D.L.	Merville Dollar.
Oct. 8 - D.L.	Harold Dollar.
21 - C.P.O.S.	Empress of Russia.
28 - C.P.O.S.	Monteagle.

## VICTORIA.

July 28 - A.L.	Eldridge.
Aug. 12 - W.L.	West Ivan.
18 - N.Y.K.	Torishashi Maru.
18 - B.F.	Ixon.
18 - N.Y.K.	Kashima Maru.
19 - A.L.	City of Spokane.
21 - O.S.K.	Africa Maru.
25 - W.L.	Delight.
Sept. 11 - N.Y.K.	Fushimi Maru.

## SEATTLE.

July 28 - A.L.	Eldridge.
Aug. 7 - S.D.	W.L. Ivis.
10 - A.L.	W.L. Ivis.
11 - N.Y.K.	Torishashi Maru.
16 - B.F.	Ixon.
16 - N.Y.K.	Kashima Maru.
19 - A.L.	City of Spokane.
21 - O.S.K.	Africa Maru.
25 - W.L.	Delight.
Sept. 11 - N.Y.K.	Fushimi Maru.
Oct. 5 - B.F.	Tydeus.
Nov. 2 - B.F.	Tydeus.
Dec. 20 - B.F.	Tydeus.

## TACOMA.

July 28 - A.L.	Eldridge.
Aug. 12 - W.L.	West Ivan.
18 - A.L.	City of Spokane.
21 - O.S.K.	Africa Maru.
25 - W.L.	Delight.

## PORTLAND.

Aug. 21 - A.L.	Coaxet.
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## SAN FRANCISCO.

July 21 - J.F.L.	Tipton.
Aug. 6 - A.L.	W.L. Ivis.
10 - D.L.	West Ivan.
11 - P.M.S.	Venerable.
18 - C.M.S.	Nanking.
28 - C.M.S.	Nile.
30 - J.P.H.	Arkan.
Sept. 6 - T.K.K.	Shingo Maru.
8 - P.M.S.	Kenyon.
17 - T.K.K.	Pordia Maru.
23 - C.M.S.	China.
Oct. 8 - P.M.S.	Korea Maru.
Oct. 8 - P.M.S.	Colombia.

## LOS ANGELES.

Aug. 3 - L.A.P.N.	West Monton.
11 - L.A.P.N.	Wing Hika.
Sept. 10 - L.A.P.N.	Vinila.
Oct. 10 - L.A.P.N.	West Hinton.

## VALPARAISO.

Via Japan, Honolulu, San Francisco,	
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Sept. 9 - T.K.K.	Anjo Maru.
Nov. 2 - C.M.S.	CAVIZ.
Aug. 9 - N.Y.K.	Pennsylv Maru.
13 - O.S.K.	China.

## NEW YORK.

July 28 - A.L.	Reketiut.
21 - D. & Co.	Lowther Castle.
Aug. 8 - D.L.	Grace Dollar.
12 - B.F.	Pak Ling.
15 - A.L.	Caution.
Sept. 12 - D. & Co.	Bremont Castle.
15 - A.L.	Cape May.

## (Via Suez.)

Aug. 1 - B.L.	City of Oran.
28 - N.Y.K.	Akita Maru.
27 - B.L.	Hirangman City.
29 - B.L.	Nagasaki.
30 - B.L.	City of Dunkirk.
Oct. 1 - B.F.	Alex.

## BOSTON.

July 21 - B.L.	City of Oran.
Aug. 27 - B.L.	Riverman City.
Sept. 27 - B.L.	City of Dunkirk.

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Aug. 3 - L.T.	(D. & Co.) Filina.
Sept. 8 - L.T.	(D. & Co.) Tinsbrook.
Oct. 3 - L.T.	(D. & Co.) Hongaria.

## GENOA.

Aug. 12 - J.M.	Glenara.
20 - B.F.	Bellerophon.
Sept. 11 - B.F.	Cyclops.
Oct. 5 - B.F.	Euryplus.
19 - B.F.	Titan.
Nov. 16 - B.F.	Teucer.

## MARSEILLES.

Aug. 12 - P. & O.	Lahore.
17 - M.M.	Amazona.
18 - P. & O.	Kalpan.
26 - P. & O.	Plassy.
Sept. 7 - O.S.K.	Alps Maru.
17 - J. & O.	Jeyporan.
14 - P. & O.	Khiva.
25 - O.S.K.	Atlas Maru.
Oct. 5 - B.F.	Euryplus.
19 - B.F.	Nankin.
Nov. 2 - B.F.	Peles.
16 - B.F.	Teucer.

## LONDON.

July 29 - B.F.	Laomedon.
31 - J.M.	Glenara.
Aug. 10 - N.Y.K.	Atsuta Maru.
12 - J.M.	Glenara.
12 - P. & O.	Lahore.
17 - B.F.	Prometheus.
17 - B.F.	Uania.
18 - P. & O.	Kalpan.
22 - J.M.	Glenamoy.
28 - P. & O.	Plassy.
Sept. 31 - B.F.	Protesilaus.
7 - O.S.K.	Alps Maru.
7 - P. & O.	Jeyporan.
9 - B.F.	Achilles.
10 - P. & O.	Kansas.
14 - F. & L.	Khiva.
14 - B.F.	Svald.
21 - B.F.	Mentor.
22 - B.F.	Lyscon.
25 - O.S.K.	Atlas Maru.
Oct. 6 - P. & O.	Nankin.
12 - B.F.	Idomeneus.
20 - B.F.	Teiresias.

## HAVRE.

July 28 - P. & O.	Lahore.
Aug. 7 - B.F.	Prometheus.
10 - P. & O.	Jeyporan.
11 - P. & O.	Alcinous.
14 - B.F.	Oma.
31 - B.F.	Protesilaus.
Sept. 7 - O.S.K.	Alps Maru.
7 - P. & O.	Jeyporan.
14 - B.F.	Achilles.
15 - A.L.	Easterling.
21 - B.F.	Mentor.
Nov. 2 - B.F.	Peles.

## LIVERPOOL.

Aug. 14 - B.F.	Alcinous.
20 - B.F.	Bellerophon.
20 - N.Y.K.	Kangawa Maru.
Sept. 7 - B.F.	Rhesus.
11 - B.F.	Cyclops.
Oct. 5 - B.F.	Euryplus.
9 - B.F.	Titan.
Nov. 2 - B.F.	Peles.
16 - B.F.	Teucer.

## ANTWERP.

July 29 - B.F.	Laomedon.
Aug. 10 - N.Y.K.	Atsuta Maru.
12 - J.M.	Glenara.
15 - A.L.	West Campgaw.
17 - B.F.	Oania.
31 - B.F.	Protesilaus.
Sept. 6 - J.M.	Glenamoy.
7 - O.S.K.	Alps Maru.
7 - P. & O.	Jeyporan.
15 - A.L.	Easterling.
25 - O.S.K.	Atlas Maru.
Oct. 26 - B.F.	Teiresias.

## ROTTERDAM.

Aug. 15 - A.L.	West Campgaw.
17 - B.F.	Oania.
22 - J.M.	Glenamoy.
Sept. 15 - A.L.	Rasterling.
Oct. 26 - B.F.	Teiresias.

## AMSTERDAM.

July 29 - B.F.	Laomedon.
Aug. 17 - B.F.	Prometheus.
17 - B.F.	Oania.
Sept. 6 - B.F.	Protesilaus.
9 - B.F.	Achilles.
21 - B.F.	Mentor.
22 - B.F.	Lyscon.
Oct. 12 - B.F.	Idomeneus.

## HAMBURG.

Aug. 17 - B.F.	Prometheus.
21 - B.F.	Protesilaus.
Sept. 7 - O.S.K.	Alps Maru.
22 - B.F.	Lyscon.
25 - O.S.K.	Atlas Maru.
Oct. 12 - B.F.	Idomeneus.

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On London	3-11
Bank Wire	3-11
On demand	3-11
30 days sight	3-11
60 days sight	3-11
90 days sight	3-11
On New York	1040
On demand	1040
30 days sight	1040
60 days sight	1040
90 days sight	1040
On Bombay	764
On demand	764
30 days sight	764
60 days sight	764
90 days sight	764
On Calcutta	nom.
On demand	nom.
30 days sight	nom.
60 days sight	nom.
90 days sight	nom.
On Singapore	169
On demand	169
30 days sight	169
60 days sight	169
90 days sight	169
On Shanghai	162
On demand	162
30 days sight	162
60 days sight	162
90 days sight	162
On Yokohama	146
On demand	146
30 days sight	146
60 days sight	146
90 days sight	146
Gold Spec. 100 fine (per tola)	36.40
Silver (per tola)	56.00
Silver (per tola)	56.00

On demand 4 months sight 4-11

On demand 6 months sight 4-11

On demand 9 months sight 4-11

On demand 12 months sight 4-11

On demand 15 months sight 4-11

On demand 18 months sight 4-11

On demand 21 months sight 4-11

On demand 24 months sight 4-11

On demand 27 months sight 4-11

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On demand 186 months sight 4-11

On demand 189 months sight 4-11

On demand 192 months sight 4-11

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## FOX AND THE GEESE.

## DELICIOUS OPIUM STORY.

The Hankow correspondent of the Shanghai Gazette writes:—In other parts of the world there is a scheme for obtaining money, by a man and a woman working together against another man, which is called by the police the "Badger game."

A few weeks ago we came across a plan being worked in Hankow, which might be termed the operation of the foxes.

In one of the various "Lis," or collections of native houses located in the foreign concessions, lives a young native female who, among her other and varied accomplishments, numbers that of smoking opium. She is known as being able to get opium when she wants it and holds herself out among her friends as having a c-o-v place where smoking can be indulged in without great risk of interference. She pays the required tax to the native police who, and to the tax gathering in their ritual part of the concession. As they pocket it as a portion of the sum due to them over and above the honourable retainer paid them by the Municipal Council.

## THE LADY.

The large income of the lady in question however comes about in the following manner. Apart from the native constable and other special plain clothes men, there is the Vidocq, or detective, the man in the European story who uses all kinds of disguises and can do all manner of things. In China he depends more upon the runners or assistants which he does not maintain out of the ten dollars or so allowed him by the Municipality. And the lady in question has a friend who is a detective on the staff of the police force of the concession where she operates.

## WEALTHY CHINESE.

Every party and a special smoking party as well known and wealthy Chinese as can be secured is arranged. The private secretary and master of ceremonies sends out the invitations. Of course the acquaintance of the lady with the detective is not published abroad and his name does not appear on the invitations. At the opportune moment however, he appears at the front door. The servants inside are much disturbed and announce that police are at the back door, the windows, and on the roof, thus making escape impossible. These are the runners. The opium and the pipes are inside and it means arrest, publicity and disgrace, and perhaps a heavy fine, so what is there for the wealthy gentlemen to do other than pay the squeeze which is suggested. An honorarium to the detective might fix it that he would pass along. The smokers come across in handsome manner, for in the sudden excitement and imminent danger, there is no time for that bargaining so dear to the Oriental. On this occasion it is a one sided operation. And how little the mistress of the house and the hostess of the party receives a fifty per cent. dividend on the collections of the evening.

## THE MISTAKE.

The little arrangement became known one night recently, when the runners in dashing to the rear, made a mistake in counting the houses from the alley at the end and landed in 24 instead of 25. It so happened that 24 was occupied by a respectable citizen. His servants held the intruders under threat of prosecution until they had told the their story and made arrangements also for a little wine money as compensation to them for being disturbed, and also for the suspicion and slur attached to their reputations.

## PHILOSOPHY.

And there it ended. The police superintendent probably heard of it and said to himself, "Well, what can you expect when a Council asks for honest men at ten dollars a month and ten times as much to be had for being crooked. They pay us foreigners well and we can afford to be straight. If I fire this man I will get another whose ways I less understand. So I can only carry on."

So long as there are many geese there will be foxes who are sly enough to prey on them without using much effort.

## THE CANTON FUNDS.

## FURTHER ACTION BY THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT.

The Canton District Court on July 26 heard the application of the Ministry of Finance of the Military Government for an order directing the managers of the Sincere Company to pay over the \$300,000 due to Dr. Wu Ting-fang to the Ministry instead, as Dr. Wu is no longer the Minister, the applicants alleged. Neither Dr. Wu Ting-fang nor the Sincere Company was represented at the hearing, and the representatives for the plaintiff have asked the Court to render judgment in default. The Court will probably render a decision in favour of the Ministry, but no order has yet been given.

## WHEN YOU EAT TOO MUCH.

DRYNESS in the stomach after eating is relieved by taking one of Chamberlain's Tablets. Try it the next time you eat more than you should. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

## WEATHER REPORT.

July 27, 12h. 13m.—No returns from Japanese stations.

Pressure has increased slightly to moderately at all reporting stations; it is lowest in a trough extending from Tongking across Luzon into the Pacific.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.30 inch. Total since January 1st, 64.14 inches. Against an average of 49.81 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on July 28th.

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock. E. or variable winds, moderate; fair, rain later.

2.—Formosa Channel. The same as No. 1.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocka. The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

## ROYAL OBSERVATORY,

## HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

JULY 27, 1920.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction.	Force.	Weather.
Victoria Peak	6 a.m.	29.69	78	—	ENE	1	b
Namun	6 a.m.	29.69	78	—	ENE	1	b
Madate	6 a.m.	29.69	78	—	ENE	1	b
Iokio	6 a.m.	29.69	78	—	ENE	1	b
Kochi	6 a.m.	29.69	78	—	ENE	1	b
Nagasaki	6 a.m.	29.69	78	—	ENE	1	b
Kagoshima.	6 a.m.	29.69	78	—	ENE	1	b
Oshima	6 a.m.	29.69	78	—	ENE	1	b
Naha	6 a.m.	29.69	78	—	ENE	1	b
Shimizu	6 a.m.	29.69	78	—	ENE	1	b
Bonin Island	6 a.m.	29.69	78	—	ENE	1	b
Wakaido.	6 a.m.	29.67	78	95	—	—	—
Ichang	6 a.m.	29.67	78	—	ENE	1	b
Shankow	6 a.m.	29.67	78	—	ENE	1	b
Sinkiang	6 a.m.	29.67	78	—	ENE	1	b
Changhai	6 a.m.	29.67	78	—	ENE	1	b
Shanghai	6 a.m.	29.79	77	88	SE	2	b
Outsidi	6 a.m.	29.76	78	100	SE	2	b
Sharp Pk.	7 a.m.	29.72	78	91	WNW	1	b
Amoy	6 a.m.	29.71	80	92	ENE	1	b
Swatow	6 a.m.	29.75	80	96	—	—	—
Taihooku	6 a.m.	29.67	78	—	ENE	1	b
Yokohama	6 a.m.	29.63	78	—	ENE	1	b
Kobe	6 a.m.	29.68	77	—	ENE	1	b
Kanran	6 a.m.	29.68	77	—	ENE	1	b
Koshun	6 a.m.	29.68	77	—	ENE	1	b
Pescadore.	6 a.m.	29.68	77	—	ENE	1	b
Canton	6 a.m.	29.66	81	92	—	—	—
Hongkong	6 a.m.	29.65	80	93	—	—	—
Gap Rock	6 a.m.	29.64	78	—	WNW	3	b
Kaipo	6 a.m.	29.62	81	92	SE	2	b
Wreckow	6 a.m.	29.62	81	92	SE	2	b
Pakhoi	6 a.m.	29.62	81	92	SE	2	b
Honfow	6 a.m.	29.62	81	92	SE	2	b
Phu Lien	7 a.m.	29.65	81	97	ENE	2	b
Coarse	6 a.m.	29.63	82	—	WNW	3	b
St. James	6 a.m.	29.65	82	—	WNW	3	b
Apurri	6 a.m.	29.65	82	—	WNW	3	b
Dagupan	6 a.m.	29.66	79	88	WNW	2	b
Manila	6 a.m.	29.66	79	88	WNW	2	b
Legaspi	6 a.m.	29.71	79	88	WNW	2	b
Isolaban	6 a.m.	29.71	79	88	WNW	2	b
Durio	6 a.m.	29.71	79	88	WNW	2	b
Singapore	6 a.m.	29.73	79	88	WNW	2	b
Labuan	6 a.m.	29.73	79	88	WNW	2	b